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Florian Lunzer et al.

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For: RADIATION-HARDENING UNSATURATED
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Examiner: E. T. Lightfoot

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

The present application has been carefully studied in view of the outstanding Office Action dated March 10, 2009, and reconsideration of that action is respectfully requested in view of the following comments.

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement between the claims of Group 1, Group II and Group II. The claimed subject matter of each of these Groups is closely related, and similar issues of patentability are presented in each of the three groups. Moreover, the fields of search are similar and overlapping. Similar issues must be addressed in determining the patentability of the subject matter of each group. All of these factors lead to the examination of all claims in a single application. All restriction requirements necessitate a certain degree of discretion on the part of the Examiner, and it is believed that such discretion should be exercised in the present application by

dropping the restriction requirement. For the record, it is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

However, as required by the Rules of Practice, applicant elects the subject matter of Group I and finds claims 1-5 readable thereon.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 11885-00077-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Respectfully submitted,

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